## OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Determination of the Promotion of Economy and Efficiency in Federal Contracting Pursuant to Executive Order No. 14042

**AGENCY**: Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget.

**ACTION:** Notice of determination.

Billing Code

**SUMMARY:** The Director of the Office of Management and Budget determines that compliance by Federal contractors and subcontractors with the COVID-19-workplace safety protocols detailed in the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force guidance issued on September 24, 2021 will improve economy and efficiency by reducing absenteeism and decreasing labor costs for contractors and subcontractors working on or in connection with a Federal Government contract.

DATES: September 24, 2021

**ADDRESSES:** The Safer Federal Workforce Task Force Guidance for Federal Contractors and Subcontractors on COVID-19 Workplace Safety is available at:

https://www.saferfederalworkforce.gov/new/

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cristin Dorgelo, 725 17<sup>th</sup> Street N, E-mail address: Cristin.a.dorgelo@omb.eop.gov telephone number: (202) 456-4066. Because of delays in the receipt of regular mail related to security screening, respondents are encouraged to use electronic communications.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: As explained in Executive Order No. 14042 on *Ensuring Order on Ensuring Adequate COVID Safety Protocols for Federal Contractors*, compliance with COVID-19-related safety protocols improves economy and efficiency by reducing absenteeism and decreasing labor costs for contractors and subcontractors working on or in connection with a Federal Government contract. Section 2(c) of E.O. 14042 requires that, before Federal contractors and subcontractors must adhere to any

guidance from the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force pursuant to Executive Order No.

14042, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget must determine that such

guidance will promote economy and efficiency in Federal contracting if adhered to by

Government contractors and subcontractors. Based on my review of the Safer Federal

Workforce Task Force's COVID-19 Workplace Safety: Guidance for Federal Contractors

and Subcontractors, scheduled for issuance on September 24, 2021, and exercising the

President's authority under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act (see 3

U.S.C. 3011) delegated to me through Executive Order No. 14042, I have determined that

compliance by Federal contractors and subcontractors with the COVID-19-workplace

safety protocols detailed in that guidance will improve economy and efficiency by

reducing absenteeism and decreasing labor costs for contractors and subcontractors

working on or in connection with a Federal Government contract.

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Office of Management and Budget.

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